No. 37—265, *dated 18th January* 1901.

Sub-Assistant Engineer Mr. T. Lakshman Rao, attached to the Mysore Division, was granted privilege leave of absence for ten days, with effect from the 13th November 1900.

No. 44—312, *dated 21st January* 1901.

Assistant Engineer Mr. V. Aiyasawmy Iyer, attached to the Kadur Division, is granted privilege leave of absence for three months, with effect from 1st February next or date of departure.

By Order,
D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, *Col.*,
Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore, P. W. D.

MILITARY.

No. 1425-7, *dated 18th January* 1901.

Mr. R. Puttanna, B.A., B.L., Personal Assistant to the Chief Commandant, Mysore State Troops, having returned to duty on the 19th October 1900, the unexpired portion of the leave granted to him in Notification No. 1193-4, Military, dated 13th December 1900, is hereby cancelled.

By Order,
R. G. JONES, *Major*,
Military Assistant.

GEOLOGICAL.

No. 234—*M.* 1900-1901, *dated 5th January* 1901.

The following draft of additions and amendments proposed to be made in the Rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation II of 1888, published with Notification No. 311-M.—1897, dated 29th June 1898, is hereby published for general information under Section 15 of the said Regulation and will be taken into consideration after the 15th of February 1901.

Objections and suggestions in respect of the proposed additions and amendments will be duly considered if submitted to the Government in the Geological Department on or before the 15th of February 1901.

For Rule 33 VII (*e*) substitute the following :—

"Explosives may be carried by mixed trains on any line on which goods trains are not running, subject to the conditions that they are loaded in properly constructed powder vans; that not more than one powder van containing explosives is forwarded at any one time by a mixed train; that there are not less than three vehicles between the powder van and either the engine or the passenger coaches; that the powder van is close-coupled to the adjoining vehicles; and that directly a powder van containing explosives arrives at a section on which goods trains are running, it is detached from the mixed train."

Rule 5, proviso II, will be altered as follows :—

"To the possession of fire works, not exceeding 200 lbs., if obtained and intended for immediate use and not for sale, and if kept for a period not exceeding 14 days, provided that the possession of such fireworks in Municipal areas shall only be authorized on the obtaining of a permit to this effect. Such a permit shall be granted, free of cost, by a Magistrate of the 1st Class or by a Police Officer not below the rank of an Assistant Superintendent of Police, on the applicant certifying that the fireworks shall be kept in a closed receptacle in a building or excavation at a safe distance from any dwelling house, shop or public way."

The following proviso will be added to condition 9 of Form A, condition 8 of Form B and Condition 4 of Form C of the forms prescribed in the Schedule appended to the Rules :—

"Provided that this condition shall not be obligatory in a building in which no explosive other than an explosive of the 1st Division of the 6th (ammunition) class is kept."

No. 228 *M.*—1900-1901, *dated 31st December* 1900.

With reference to Government Notification (Geol.) No. 93 M.—1900-1901, dated 16th August 1900, the Government are pleased to direct the following amendments to be made in the rules under the Mysore Explosives Regulation II of 1888, published with Notification No. 311 M., dated 29th June 1898, and amended by Notification No. 233 M., dated 15th May 1899.

To Rule 2 (2) add the following :—

"In particular, the possession of blasting gelatine or any of the gelatinous nitro-compounds after the expiration of three years from the date of their importation into British India is prohibited, except with the sanction in writing of an Inspector of Explosives, stating for what further period such explosives may be retained."

Rule 18 (1) will be amended as follows :—

"The applicant shall submit to the District Magistrate an application on Form G and shall comply with the conditions embodied therein."

Rule 18 (2) will be cancelled.

Alter "Rule 18 (3)" "to Rule 18 (2)."

In Rule 18 (2) (as corrected) (*e*), the last sentence will be amended as follows :—

"The Government shall then refer the aforesaid documents for approval to the Chief Inspector of Explosives, who will, if he considers it to be necessary, inspect the site of the magazine and communicate with the applicant in regard to any special terms which it may be in his opinion desirable to impose. The Chief Inspector of Explosives shall then submit to Government the application and other documents and his recommendations thereon, and if he re-